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VIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Elisabeth A. LeQuin, CPA
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Re: U.S. Patent Application

Serial No.: 10/811,129

Entitled: "Fluorescent Polymer-QTL Approach to Biosensing"

Our Ref: 8971-039-27 DIV

Dear Beth:

We have filed the appropriate documents at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to release DLA Piper US LLP as QTL's representative in the above-identified application. A copy of the Request for Withdrawal as Attorney or Agent and Change of Correspondence Address is enclosed for your records.

In accordance with Barry Johnson's instructions of December 8, 2006, we have not responded to the Official Action, to which a response is due December 22, 2006. Extensions of time are available. Should you change your mind regarding this application, the last date for responding is <u>February 22, 2007</u>, after which the application will become abandoned. We again advise you to seek competent patent counsel immediately.

Sincerely yours,

DLA PIPER US LLP

John K. Pike, Ph.D.

JKP/acr Enclosures:

Electronic Patent Application Acknowledgement Receipt

Request for Withdrawal as Attorney or Agent

cc: Richard Troiano (with enclosures)